

externo late fusco, anticarum maculas duas albas, posticarum unam includentibus; linea submarginali plumbea: corpus fuscum. Alæ subtus fere velut supra, macula autem discali posticarum magis elongata, striolaque anali alba: corpus albicans.

Exp. alar. unc. 1.

*Hab.* Mexico? Coll. Kaden in Coll. Druce.

Very like some species of *Baotis* in pattern, and unlike any other *Charis* that I have seen.

Genus *STALACHTIS*, Hübner.

*Stalachtis Evelina*, sp. nov.

♂. Affinis *S. Phædusa*, maculis autem anticarum hyalinis latioribus et omnino majoribus, areola solum interna violacea; striola anali aurantiaca tenuiore, stria posticarum marginali tenuissima areaque costali fusca: corpus fuscum.

Exp. alar. unc. 1, lin. 11.

*Hab.* —? Coll. Kaden in Coll. Druce.

Allied to *S. Phædusa*, but perfectly distinct from that species.

XXXIX.—*A word in explanation of a passage occurring in my "Concluding Observations on the Parasitism of Rhipiphorus paradoxus."* By FREDERICK SMITH.

I HAVE read, with some degree of surprise and also with much regret, the remarks of my friend Mr. Murray on an observation in my "Concluding Observations on *Rhipiphorus*." The passage is as follows:—"The last paragraph of the postscript is entirely suppositional. Mr. Murray has not shown me any of his specimens," he having stated in his former paper that he had had that pleasure. I omitted to allude to this as being on his part a lapse of memory; and possibly this may have impressed others in the same way as it did my friend.

Nothing could have been further from my mind than to imply, in the most remote degree, the slightest doubt of his veracity. I alluded solely to the fact, which at the time was impressed upon my mind, that he had failed to fulfil his previous expressed intention. Mr. Murray has now shown me the pupæ &c. alluded to; but I am still quite unable to recall to my mind any previous examination of them: it is therefore quite certain that there is a lapse of memory on one side or the other. Mr. Murray having given publicity to his feelings on the subject, I think it is necessary on my part publicly to disclaim any intention of expressing a doubt of his veracity. Any statement made by Mr. Murray is, and always has been, to me a guarantee for its truth.